

HERSETH SANDLIN ON PRESIDENTIAL DISASTER DECLARATION FOR DECEMBER STORM DAMAGE

Washington, DC-Today, the President declared a major disaster exists in parts of South Dakota affected by storms in late December of last year. Rep. Herseth Sandlin recently joined Senators Johnson and Thune in writing the President to support Governor Rounds' request for a disaster declaration.

Rep. Herseth Sandlin said, "The storms last December caused significant damage to rural areas across South Dakota, including many tribal communities. This presidential disaster declaration will help aid the ongoing recovery, particularly economic recovery. I will continue to work with state and local officials and tribal leaders to assist in these efforts."

Counties eligible for federal aid under this declaration include: Campbell, Clay, Gregory, Jones, Lyman, Mellette, Perkins, Shannon, Todd, Tripp, Turner, and Yankton. The portions of the Pine Ridge Reservation and Rosebud Reservation that lie within the designated counties are also included in this designation.

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